



ACTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ACTON-BOXBOROUGH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

J.D. Head
Director of Facilities
and Transportation

MEMO

January 9, 2012

To: Board of Appeals
From: JD Head, Director of Facilities and Transportation, APS / ABRSD
RE: NGCC day care facility BOA #12-01 Conceptual Plan

In May of 2009 the Acton Public and Acton Boxborough Regional School Transportation office submitted the following opinion with regards to the proposed NGCC day care facility to be located at 348 – 352 Main Street.

Our position has not changed. The traffic density on Main Street during Peak hours is a problem for us currently and it is our opinion that adding a facility of this size and scope would further complicate the situation. Below is a copy of the original memorandum.

To: Bill Ryan
From: JD Head
RE: Proposed NGCC day care facility / June 1 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting

As Director of Facilities and Transportation I have concerns regarding the proposed NGCC day care facility slated to be constructed adjacent to Kennedy's on Rt. 27. I attended the first Zoning Board of Appeals meeting in April which was focused on this project and learned of the size and scope of the proposed facility. As proposed the facility would house approximately 250 children and would be approximately 24,000 square ft in size.

Our Transportation operation has a great deal of trouble navigating Rt. 27 with the current traffic density. We especially have trouble making it to and from Conant and the Parker Damon Building, as the children attending those schools utilize the same buses, in a timely manner now. We also have a great deal of trouble turning from Hayword road onto Rt. 27 during HS and Jr. High School routes. Kim Trahan, Transportation Coordinator, and I would discourage any project, especially one of this magnitude, going forward. I understand that the proposed facility would be required to widen the road and construct left turn lanes on Rt. 27 in front of their operation. I am sure this action would help keep traffic from backing up directly in front, but it would not address the condition of the traffic density on the Rt. 2 ramps, which we use as well.

In summary, I believe the proposed facility would negatively impact our current transportation operation. I will be attending the June 1st Zoning Board meeting as well and will update you further after that meeting.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards,

JD Head
Director of Facilities and Transportation
APS / ABRSD